

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1244

Introduced by Assembly Member Chu

February 21, 2003

An act to amend Section 17077.40 of the Education Code, relating to school facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1244, as introduced, Chu. School facilities: joint-use projects.

Existing law, the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998, requires the State Allocation Board to allocate to applicant school districts, prescribed per-unhoused-pupil state funding for construction and modernization of school facilities, including hardship funding, and supplemental funding for site development and acquisition. The existing act authorizes the board, from funds made available for these purposes, to provide grants to fund joint-use projects to construct facilities on kindergarten to grade 12, inclusive, schoolsites. The existing act authorizes a school district to apply to the board for joint-use project funding for a project that meets one of several criteria, such as the joint-use project is part of an application for new construction funding under the act and is for the purpose of providing facilities to be used for a kindergarten to grade 12/higher education collaborative effort for any of certain specified purposes such as to provide child care facilities.

This bill would permit a grant to also fund a joint-use project for those purposes to provide community resources in communities with critically overcrowded schools.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 17077.40 of the Education Code is amended to read:

17077.40. (a) With funds made available for the purposes of this article, the board may provide a grant to fund joint-use projects to construct facilities on kindergarten to grade 12, inclusive, schoolsites.

(b) A school district may apply to the board for funding under this article for a project that meets any of the following criteria:

(1) The joint-use project is a part of an application for new construction funding under this chapter, and is for the purpose of providing facilities to be used for a kindergarten to grade 12/higher education collaborative effort for any of the following purposes:

(A) To improve pupil academic achievement.

(B) To provide teacher education.

(C) To provide childcare facilities.

(D) *To provide community resources in communities with critically overcrowded schools that meet the criteria set forth in Section 17078.18.*

(2) The joint-use project is part of an application for new construction funding under this chapter, and will increase the size or extra cost associated with the joint use of the proposed multipurpose room, gymnasium, childcare facility, or library beyond that necessary for school use.

(3) The joint-use project is for a kindergarten to grade 12/higher education collaborative effort to improve academic achievement or provide teacher education, or a multipurpose room, gymnasium, library, or childcare facility, and the project will be located at a school that does not have the type of facility for which funds are requested or the existing facility is inadequate.